

Chapter 2.1.1 (Foot-and-Mouth Disease – FMD), and Appendix 3.8.6 (Preliminary Guidelines for the Establishment or the Regaining of Recognition for an FMD free Country or Zone)

General Comment: The United States has no further comments to make to the proposed changes in the Code Chapter on FMD or its associated appendix related to the guidelines for establishing or regaining FMD freedom. However, we continue to stand by our technical position articulated in our comments submitted to the OIE in response to the Code Commission's December 2002 Report (please refer to our comments to the December 2002 Report).